I am writing to urge you to let XM and other satellite radio providers to allow local weather and traffic reports and other local programming. These services are SUBSCRIPTION services. I pay XM directly to avoid commercials and I should have the ability to listen to whatever I want because of this subscription. I subscribe to XM because it allows me to listen to quality entertainment, news, and LOCAL information when I travel, which is often. I am PAYING to hear local information. Local radio stations do not provide this information when I need it, only during peak times. XM provides local weather and traffic 24 hours a day, when I need it, and that is why I pay for it.

Please, reject the NAB's petition 04-160 and to support XM's ability to provide the kind of programming that I want to hear.

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